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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 3721  
PATENT  
0430-0160P

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Per LACHENMEIER et al. Conf.: 1971  
Appl. No.: 09/924,528 Group: 3721  
Filed: August 9, 2001 Examiner: L. B. TRAN  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PACKAGING  
OBJECTS

LARGE ENTITY TRANSMITTAL FORM  
FOR REPLY AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 23, 2004

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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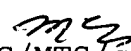
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- ☐ No fee is required.
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Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Final Office Action dated September 24, 2003, the period for response having been extended three (3) months to March 24, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**This reply includes:**

**Amendments to the Claims; and  
Remarks.**

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